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The cited references were cited in the International Search Report for International Application No. PCT/JP03/16155 or are related to the background art discussed on pages 1-2 of the present application. A short English language description is provided for JP 63-108191 and JP 60-101480 which disclose hot press molding systems.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited documents and to make the same of record in the file of the present application.

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